

NOTES

E p i p h a n y S e a s o n W o r s h i p



February 10, 2019
8:08 and 11:08 am

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WELCOME TO SEASON OF EPIPHANY

Pastor Lisa Arrington

11:08 Sending of our NOLA team

*Epiphany is a season for the gifts of Christ revealed.
ELW= Evangelical Lutheran Worship is the red hymnal
P = Pastor L= Leader*

PRELUDE 8:08

Michael Chambers

PRELUDE 11:08

*Fantasy on "Hyfrydol"
St. John's Bronze*

-Hal H. Hopson

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS (page 94 ELW)

Assisting Minister

L: Please kneel or sit as you are able for confession and forgiveness.

Pause for silence and reflection.

L: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another.

Silence is kept for reflection

L: Most Merciful God,

All: **We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen**

L: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your heart through faith.

All: Amen.

GREETINGS FROM APOSTLE PAUL (2 Corinthians 13:13)

Assisting Minister

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

L: Please rise as you are able.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Lift up in prayer:

Mary Ann Bittner
Harvey Blevins
Pastor Boliek
Dorothy Brittingham
Anthony Chiralo
Patty Clauser & family
Scott Clem
Diane Corkran
Brian Crawford
Ava Daniels
Evan Davis & family
Iona Dorn & family
Benton Gatch
Libby Gill
Melvin Gray
Mark Habicht
Tiffany Henning
The Hobbs family
Orville Hughes
Mary Johnson
Darryl Jones Sr.
Vicki Kalabokes
Barry Kuhne
Susan Lynch
Fred Meise
Tony Montone
Jo Morrison
The Murphy family
Mark Oliphant
Bobby Reier
Kenny Shaver
Claire Sigwart
Ross Smith
Joyce Truxel
Caroline Wall
Henry & Gloria Weaver
Ruth Welkner
Greg Weyrich
Sophie Wittlesberger

The bereaved:

Condolences to the family of Brad Moore, upon the death of his mother, Lucy Hewitt.

Special needs:

Violence in our society

This week we pray for:

Empowerment of the Holy Spirit in:

† Friday Prayer Group

† Mutual Ministry Committee

† Deborah Circle

Our mission partners:

Amazing Grace Lutheran Church

– Prs. Gary Dittman & Carol Perlie

Prs. Mercedes & Isaias Nelson (Dom. Rep.)

Pr. Tyrone Smith (New Orleans)

National ELCA Bishop Elizabeth Eaton

Delaware Maryland synod Bishop Bill Gohl

Nicole & Kevin Fuhr, serving Guatemala

Crucified Church in Johnstown, PA

– Pr. Josh Knipple

Freestate ChalleNGe Academy

Members of the week:

Worth & Evelyn McKeithan

Mike & Jenny McKenny,

Evie, Sara

Mary Stuart McKenzie

*Names on the prayer list are printed with permission of the person named. After receiving permission you may place a completed yellow prayer request card in the offering plate or contact the church office to add a name to the prayer list. After four weeks on the list a name will be removed unless the office is notified for an extension of time. **Visitation:** please notify the church office if you anticipate a hospital stay. Thank you!*

THIS IS THE FEAST

Setting 4 ELW pg. 149

Refrain
Assisting minister

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All

1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us

free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and

strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the

hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and

might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain

has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the

sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION HYMN:

"In the Singing"

ELW # 466

"Bread of Life, our Host and Meal"

ELW # 464

BLESSING AND PRAYER

Assisting Minister

L: Please rise as you are able and receive God's blessing. May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

All: Amen.

L: Let us pray

All: We give you thanks, almighty God that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy strengthen us through this gift in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

NEXT STEPS

Pastor Lisa Arrington

8:08 Sending of our NOLA team

For leader copy only:

We invite forward our NOLA Team for commissioning:

Dan Knott, Team coordinator
 Nicole Bandy
 Teresa Barrett
 Cheryl Bitner
 Mike Bitner
 Jay Cuccia
 Loren Garfolo

Ann Haight
 Donna Knott
 Hailey Knott
 Mike Knott
 Judy Lapinski
 Gino Liberati
 Rev. Randy Terry

In 2007, St. John's sent its first team to help with Hurricane Katrina relief. We developed a partnership with *St. Bernard's Project* to help families rebuild their homes. We

HOLY HOLY HOLY

Setting 4 ELW page 153

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS FOR COMMUNION

Setting 4 ELW page 152

P: in the night in which he was betrayed...

THE LORD'S PRAYER

You are invited to continuous communion. It is a meal of God's grace and love for all believers. Ushers will invite you down the center aisle. Please share your name. Receive bread or a blessing. Dip the bread into red wine or white grape juice and return to your seats by the side aisles.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION: "Lamb of God"

ELW page 154

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
 us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have

PRAYER FOR SCOUT SUNDAY

Assisting Minister

L: Please be seated.

L: Today is also Scout Sunday. Troop 818 had its first Eagle Scout in 1966 --Richard K. Spicer. Jake Everhart completed his Eagle Scout in 2018 bringing our total number of Eagle Scouts to 66. We thank God for Scott Schober, Troop 818 Scout Master and Jason Webster the current Pack 818 Cub Master. We have two Eagle Scout proposals currently working with our property committee regarding a new gaga pit and installing bat houses.

Today at 11:08 we will welcome Andy Nixon. Andy is a former Pack 818 Cub Master and is now involved supporting the Troop Committee. Andy will highlight some of the recent activities and accomplishments of the scouts and also express appreciation to the St John's community for support. (1108: Let's welcome Andy Nixon)

(Andy Nixon 1108 shares a few words)

L: Let us pray. We thank you, Lord, for this new year and for all the gifts of Christ this Epiphany Season. Bless our Troop 818. Thank you for the volunteer leaders, parents and the scouts. Help us all to do our best, striving to be physically strong, mentally awake and to help other people at all times. Help us to rise as your church to hear your Gospel proclaimed. **Amen.**

Please rise as you are able for the Gospel Verse

GOSPEL VERSE

Setting 4 ELW page 151

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
 You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

BIBLE READING MATTHEW 7:1-5, 12

Reader

Reader: Listen for the Gospel, the good news of God, in the book of Matthew.

ALL: Glory to you O Lord.

Reader: *Let's join the story. This is the season of Epiphany and we are in Act 5*

about Jesus. God gives us a standard for how we should live, which we follow by obeying God and seeking after God. Question: In what ways do you judge your neighbor? A reading from Matthew 7. Jesus is preaching when he says:

“Do not judge, so that you may not be judged. ²For with the judgment you make you will be judged, and the measure you give will be the measure you get. ³Why do you see the speck in your neighbor’s eye, but do not notice the log in your own eye? ⁴Or how can you say to your neighbor, ‘Let me take the speck out of your eye,’ while the log is in your own eye? ⁵You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your neighbor’s eye. ¹²“In everything do to others as you would have them do to you; for this is the law and the prophets.

Reader: The Gospel of our Lord.
ALL: Praise to you O Christ.
Reader: Please be seated.

MESSAGE Pastor Sarah Wright

HYMN “My Hope is Built on Nothing Less” ELW # 596

APOSTLE’S CREED ELW page 105

L: Let us profess what we believe with the Apostle’s Creed.

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH Assisting Minister

L: You are invited to sit or kneel as we pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence.

SHARING PEACE Assisting Minister

L: Let us rise so we may share peace. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

ALL: And also with you.

L: Let us greet one another especially visitors.

*If you are not well give a wave for peace and prayers.
We are a very loving church,
but please ask someone if it is okay to share a hug.
Hand sanitizer is at the corners of the church*

OFFERING & MUSIC

L: Let us celebrate the offering of time, talents and treasures. Don’t forget your yellow pew card.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM 8:08 *Fantasy on “Hyfrydol”* -Hal H. Hopson
St. John’s Bronze

OFFERTORY ANTHEM 11:08 *“All Things Work Together for Good”* - John Carter
Jubilee Singers

OFFERTORY *“Create in Me a Clean Heart”* ELW # 188
Please rise as you are able & offering plates will be brought forward.

PRESENTING OUR OFFERING TO GOD Assisting Minister

L: Let us pray,

ALL: Blessed are we who have heard the Word of the Lord and blessed are we who have received so much. You are the true treasure. Receive our offering. Even in the wilderness, may our mission be to love you and love our neighbor with all our heart in Jesus’ name. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION Pastor Lisa Arrington, Setting 4 ELW page 152

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff has two measures: "The Lord be with you." and "And al - so with you." The second staff has two measures: "Lift up your hearts." and "We lift them to the Lord." The third staff has two measures: "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God." The fourth staff has two measures: "It is right to give our thanks and praise."